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1 From Ramaseshasastri, Peter & 4 9 9

Prays for the cancellation of the order directing his degradation, for not closing the Chamarajpet Girls' School when dead rats were found etc

2 To the I G of Edn no 3653 & 18 10 9

calls for a full report with the records of the case

3 From Do no 5498/385 & 3 12 9

G R S 58 Submits the report & recommends the restoration of the master to his former appointment

4 To Do no 6584 & 1 2 10

Enquires whether the master's suspension

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FILE HEADING

Prayer of Ramaseshadasby for restoration to his former appointment

From

Ramaseshadasby – Bangalore

No Petition Dated 4 9 09 Received 4/9/09 – 09

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

Prays for the Cancellation of the order directing his degradation to an assistant masters place for not closing the Chamarajpet Girls' school when dead rats were found there and he was not responsible for the deaths from plague among the school children and he be restored to his former appointment

NOTES AND ORDERS

1) Dewans Order. "To the 2nd Counsellor with Compliments" (Sd) J A R 30 Sep 09

2) 2nd Counsellors order "To the Dy. Sec for report with records" (Sd) H V N 2X 09

3) Dft put up 8/9 10 0 1

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2 To The DG of Edn
No 3655 & 18 10 09

Calls for a full report on the above together with the entire records connected with the case

3 From the DG Edn
No 5298/385 dated 3 12 09

Reports on the above and recommends that the order of degradation should be set aside and the master restored to his former status.

† The facts of the case are given below —

5 Ramaseshay (Deputy) was Head master of the Govt Girls' School, Bhimarajpet Prior to the closing of the School on 12-10-09 for Dasara Holidays Some dead Rats (2 in number) were found in the School. But the exact date on which the Rats were found is not fixed with certainty. ~~A pupil of the School~~

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When the Rats were found Ramaseshu Sastri sent first an oral and afterwards a written message to the Hospital Asstt but on both occasions he received an oral reply that the School need not be closed and disinfected On the 17th October 1907 a pupil of the School daughter of Mr. N Venkatesa Iyengar died of plague and it was alleged that the death was due to infection caught in the School A departmental inquiry was held and Ramaseshu Sastri was found guilty of culpable negligence in failing to have the School disinfected, He was therefore suspended for 1 month and afterwards degraded as Asstt master and transferred to the Govt Girls' School, Bangalore.

6 The Girls' School Committee

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however represented to the Dpl (Mr Bhatha) that the Head Master was misled by the opinion of the Hospital Asst and Recommended that his degradation and transfer may be cancelled as one month Suspension was a Sufficient punishment for him. Mr Bhatha do refused to Reconsider his order.

7 Ramasesha Sastri now Requests that the punishments ordered in his case may be cancelled

8. From Mr Wen's Report it appears that Mr Venkatesa Iyengar's daughter Contd Mr have Caught infection from the School. and that Ramasesha Sastri ~~was~~ a seems to have acted according to the dictates of plain Common Sense. Mr Wen adds that if he ~~has~~ committed an

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error of judgment in not having insisted on a more careful diagnosis when dead Rats were found, one months Suspension Seems to be an adequate punishment. He therefore recommends that the order of degradation should be set aside and the master restored to his former Status. In fact he has already Sanctioned the appointment of Ramasesha Sastri as Head master of the Bramavaradi Boys' School but this order has been kept back pending the decision of Govt on the appeal petition.

9 Ramasesha Sastri wants to cancel the order of Suspension also

Submitted

Sd 19/12/09

To The I Gs recommendation that the order of degradation be set aside and the master restored to his former status may be approved It seems that the order suspending

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the master for one month may also be cancelled - The exact date when dead bandicoots were found in the school cannot be ascertained and ~~deaccases~~ it is doubtful whether the girls attending the school, who died of plague, really caught the infection in the school - The master says that the bandicoots were mangled and that he had no reason to suspect that they had died of plague For his omission to report that he found two such bandicoots in the school, ~~notwithstanding~~ the punishment of one month's suspension seems severe and it may be considered whether a warning with a clear direction as to what should be done in such cases would not have been enough - ~~The case~~ It is hardly likely that the master would have been dealt with so severly but for the report of Mr Venkatesha Iyengar that he was

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certain that his daughter caught the infection in the School - The ways of plague are still mysterious and it is not known if one living in the midst of infection and attacked with plague can say to a certainty that the infection was caught in a particular place visited by ~~[illegible]~~ that person -

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11 It is not very important where Mr. V Iyengar's daughter caught the infection The question is whether the head master acted accg to rules & dictates of Common sense The D I G's report shows that no fault can be found with him in the account

12. Mr V Iyengar's first letter shows that he merely wished the School to be closed He did not charge the head master with any carelessness or delinquency But the H.M. master seem to be charged with having tried to hush the facts when questioned on the subject There is no use

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in pursuing the enquiry further

13 The D G's opinion as regards the charge of any grave dereliction is quite correct & I agree with him The order of degradation we may be set aside as recommended It is not important to say anything about pension If it is declared under Sec. of the W.S. Regns that pension being cancelled as his past service will count towards pension It will virtually place him in the same position as if the suspension were cancelled

The Committee at the time considered that order of suspension should stand

Please issue an order

14 to this effect

29/12/09

15 Issue orders accordingly

SB

16 Put up draft 4/1/10

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17 Draft Submitted

HSW/SMG
8/1/10

18 This Hon'ble Master from the Cape was and represented strongly that it is the order of Suspension that he attaches most importance to & that it was on account of the existence that he took leave for a long period losing his pay

19 Ask the Ag of Col's opinion as to whether the Suspension may be cancelled & the period treated as leave. Even then the Hon'ble Master will have lost heavily for his carelessness (of my)
(Let me see draft) HW
12/1/10

20 Note
HSW
13/1/10
Prepare draft as required
CHS
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4 Draft submitted
Rem 19/1/10
2nd cr)
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Draft appd by 2 cr
GH 22/1/10

Issued
24/1/10

Rec 19/1/10
Rec 24/1

4 To the D.I. Education
No 6582 dt 12

Enquires whether under the circumstances reported (in Sl 3) the master Ramaseshu Shastri's order of suspension could not be cancelled & the period treated as leave

5 From the D.I. Edn No 8622/605 dt 23/10

States that he did not recommend the cancellation of the order of suspension because he was not satisfied of the teacher acted carried out the orders of the dept in his method of dealing with dead rats, and that if Govt are pleased to give him the benefit of the doubt as to whether he acted in obedience to the Lazy Supt's

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orders which were not in accordance with the Standing orders of the department, to and Cancell the order of Suspension and treat the period as on leave he would have no objection

23 Submitted for orders
Hm/pmg
26/2/10

submitted with reference to the Commissioner's note of the 12th January 1910 in which he says that there is no objection to the ordinary suspension being Cancelled in view of the fact that the master might have acted in accordance with the oral instructions given by the Deputy Supt-

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2nd (illegible) CRS 3/3

24 Pass an order accordingly to this effect
Hm
B
26/3/10

25 - Puts a draft
HP 7/10-3/10
V N 3/3/10

Received 1/3/10

26 Hm/pmg 14/3/10 Draft Submitted
2nd Commissioner) 14/3/10

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C	Draft altered and approved by 2nd Commissioner MSS 17310 Jo's ct.
6	To the D.C. Eon + compln No 8288-9 & 21310 Directs that the order of degrading and suspending the Ramasesha Naste be set aside + the period he was under suspension be treated as leave -

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Name of Petitioner — Sheshu Sastri

Village — Bangalore

Taluk, — do

District — do

Date of Arrival — 4th Sept 09

Date of Receipt — do

Date of Disposal

No. of Enclosures 11

ABSTRACT

Petitioner was the Head Master of the Government Girls School at Chamarajapet & was suspended & degraded for negligence in omitting to take immediate measures to close the School, & when dead rats were found in it. He explains how he is not guilty and prays that the

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Copy to the 2nd Commissioner for Municipal Affairs

5th

To DG for reply with records ~~unless called for~~

2/10/09

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4-10-09

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To Bhabha Esquire M.A.
Inspector General of Education
Mysore

The Inspectress of Schools
Bangalore Circle

Dated 2/11/1907
Despatched
Received 12/11/07
Serial No 504

With reference to your letter dated 21/10/07 [illegible] Grants, Schools, Buildings, Inspection Reports forms in the building of the Maharajah's High School Bangalore [illegible]

inform you that [illegible]
is clear that Mr Ramaseshaiah [illegible]
Master of the Government Girls' School [illegible]
has hitherto [illegible]
[illegible] taking measures to close my Girls' School, there are no
[illegible] when dear rats were found

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in one of the class rooms, and in not disinfecting the building. He made no report on the matter to the Lady Superintendent. The Head Assistant Master, Deputy Inspector. The daughter of the Army Secretary is believed to have caught scarlet infection from the School and died a few days after the first appearance of a dead rat. Other children caught the infection of whom some are reported to have died.

The Head Master reported Baker when called upon for an explanation of the dead rats, in order evidently to make it improbable that the Army Secretary's daughter was infected in the School premises.

The Head Master caused Mr. Gemmell to shelter himself behind the Hospital assistant who got what he says he received orally through his peon. He ought to have been aware of the peculiar risk of life to which he was subjected by the fools and assistant masters of this School.

He is therefore ordered to be reduced and as he has proved himself incapable of holding charge of a large school in Bangalore, he will be transferred at the end of this period of suspension to a less important School degraded as an assistant master & transferred.

(Signed) H. J. Bhabha
Inspector General.

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To

H J Bhabha Esq ell A
Inspecter Generals of Education
in Mysore

Respected Sir,

with reference to your order No 3524, 5/504 dated the 2nd instant received here the Lady Supt suspending me for one months for not getting the School building disinfected & for not making any report regarding the dead bandicoots found in the class room, I respectfully beg to submit the following with a request that you may patiently consider them and do Justice to me

The Lady Supt wrote to me on the 28th Oct 1907, to explain why I did not report the fact of having found the dead bandicoots in the School and I accordingly submitted my written explanation which I believe, was kept back and not sent to you I send hereewith copies of Lady Supt's letter and my explanation for your kind perusal I may be permitted to submit that I do not correspond direct with the Secretary, and every incident that occurs in the School is report to the Lady Supt during her visits The

The day after ~~the~~ my submission of my first explanation, the Lady Supt met me at the Kindergarten Class and told me that my explanation was too lengthy and would not be sent up, but if a seperate explanation was submitted according to the direction of the Secretary, no harm would be done to me I went and I saw the Secretary on the same

same day in his office when he told me how I shd word my explanation I then submitted my Second explanation which does not give the details con tained in the first explanation but I now find why my first explanation was not submitted & why I was asked to send up my Second Explanation in accordance with the wishes of the Secretary

In your order, you are pleased to observe of my having given false dates of the appearance of the dead bandicoots, but I swore in the name of the Almighty that I have said truth & nothing but the truth On the 23rd of Sept 1907 which was the Seventh day of my ~~wife~~ confinement she got fever and I had to send for the doctor whom I met at about 11 50 AM near the School premises and consulted with him & then went inside the School, when the peon told me that on opening the door, he found in the B Class room, a dead bandicoot mangled and torn to pieces & that he threw the remains away behind the building I went and verified the fact by examining the bandicoot and immediately sent the peon to the doctor who was just returning home, to know what should be done in the matter He sent an oral reply to say that it was not an infected bandicoot & that the room might be cleaned and used The next day another dead bandicoot was found in the third Class under <u>similar circum-stances</u> and I wrote a note to the doctor and again the same reply as before was brought back to me I send hereewith a copy of the letter received from the Doctor for your kind reference and also peon Munuswamy's statement, for which you will please see that I did not fail to take the necessary

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precautions and I did not show any neglect in the matter In this connection however, I have to bring to your kind Notice that in August 1907 when there were plague cases in the neighbour of this School, I got the building disinfected under the advice of the same doctor and though you were pleased to order this School ~~for 15 days~~ to be closed for 15 days, the Lady Sufot directed me to reOpen the School after 5 days which order had to be obeyed inspite of the fear I entertained at the time

As on one or two occasions (previous), the Lady Sufot found that two persons had played the mischief of bringing and throwing dead rates into the School, She directed me to watch them and to consult the Hospital Assistant whenever dead rates are found in the School premises I accordingly consulted the Hospital Assistant in the present case and as there was not the slightest doubt in my minds about the bandicoots having been infected, and as the Medical Officer on the Spot was also of the same opinion, I thought it unnecessary to report the matter to the Lady Sufot, espacially as the bandicoots that were found showed no signs of infection and the Lady Sufot more than once remarked that we were taking advantage of the presence of a dead rat to close the School & enjoy holidays

If myself and the Assistant teachers had any doubts on the matter, we should have had the fear of risk to our own lives & those of the girls entrusted to our charge, not not to speak of our own daughters etc

You are be pleased to see from the list I submitted with my Seconds explanation that since the dead bandicoots were found in the School

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there were only two deaths among the School girls, of whom one girl died of fever in a village the Anekal Taluqu 18 days after she went to the Villag as accompanying letter of the father will show and the other is Secretary's daughter by the side of whose house there was a case of plague some days before It is my misfortune that the Lady Superintendent should have made me responsible for Six deaths among the girls though she new that the whole pettah was infected and not the School alone, and that there was another plague death a week ago in the Sub Judge Mr Singracharis house who is opposite to the Secretarys house

The above facts will show that the infection was hanging near and about the houses the Secretary in whose anger he seems to have made a report making me responsible for his daughters death and that I am punished without proper enquiry I respectfully beg therefore that you will be pleased to order a searching enquiry either by the Inspector or by any two members of the Committee and pass final orders upon the result of such an impartial enquiry I feel that I am punished unjustly on assumptions not founds on facts, and I earnestly pray that I may be excused for putting my case before you and soliciting an impartial consideration of it

I have submitted a copy of this representation to the Lady Superintendent also for submission to you

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Head master
Good Earth School
Chamarajpetta

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From
The Hospital Assistant
Gbarnaru Ist

To
The Head Master
Govt Girls' School
Gbarnaru, Ist

Dated
Despatched } 10th NV 1907
Received
General No 13
No
Enclosure No nil

Sir
Your no 24 of 8-11-1907
It is time that you pen Jane to me
and certain day with a letter and

told me that there was a dead 13 (15)
Bandicoot in the School premises
On questioning him he said that his
bowels had come out and there were
marks of blood on it. I remember
telling him that under the circumstances
explained to me it might not have
been infected

Sd/- C.
Mackenzie

/Signed/

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To

The Lady Superintendent
Govt Girls' Schools
Bangalore City

Sir

M Ramaseshaiah
Assistant Master
Anjaneya Patasala
Bangalore City

Respected Madam,

I beg to your kind consideration the following few words for which I hope you will kindly oblige me with a reply

When I was the Head master, Chamarajpet Girls' School, I used like to know whether I did not close the School whenever I found dead rats in the School premises and brought the matter to your kind notice?

When I brought the matter to your notice you used to object once a while by telling that the School peons have thrown in the dead rats intentionally thinking that they may get leave

Another time you used to order me not to close the School simply for finding dead

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rats, but that I should inform the matter to the Medical Officer and act according to his advice

As I have worked under the last 12 years under you, will you kindly express your opinion in regard to my conduct

I remain
Respected Madam
Your most Obedient Servant
[illegible]

18th August 1869
Bangalore

In reference to the above, I have the honor to state that I was told by the Master in Namasekha sastry was told by him that he was to close the school for the rat was seen and was to be inspected.

Rigunath Narayan Patil
Lady Superintendent
Girls' Schools

Bangalore

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ಸಾಕ್ಷಿದಾರರು (ಎಂದು ಬರೆಯಿರಿ)

29/10/07

To

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The Head Master.

Government Girls' School.

Gramara, Pet

Bandarawela

Sir

On your asking me often to give an account of what I know about the dead Bandicoot found in the School, I beg to state that I cannot remember the exact date on which the bandicoot was found, that as soon as I entered my class room that day I saw in one of the corners a dead Bandicoot which was torn to pieces and the blood covered all round, that I was then told to hold my class in your class room which I did accordingly, that I was afterwards asked to write a letter in English to the medical officer, Gramara, but for which no peon brought and said that bandicoots do not die from plague that after my class room table chairs and benches were all cleaned by water, I was asked to hold my class in the usual

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Class room alone and tactics is all that I can know about the subject. With these few remarks

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Rupert K Nanfan
Fifth master

Burnham

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Government Girls Schools,
Bangalore
August 25th 1908

I have known Rt Ramaseshu sastry for the last 11 years He was an assistant master in the Anga Balika Patasala, seeing he was fit for higher service, he was transferred to the Govt Chamarajpet School which was a primary one and was made Head master

Through hard and honest work he raised the standard to the Lower Secondary and year after his pupils were successful in the Examination

Besides a through knowledge of Kannada, he is Versed in Sanskrit and is also a Poet

His character is good and he is

A faithful harvest maker 23

(Signed) S. Rajalopal

Lady Superintendent

Government Girls School

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List showing the number of deaths in each class during the month of October 1907

Govt Girls School Chamarajapet

Class	Number of deaths	
V	Nil	
III	1	One Ranganayakamma, a Student of this class died of plague on the 16th instant
II	Nil	
I	Nil	
I B	1	Subbamma, a Student of this class attended the School till the 5th of October. It was told by the parents that she died of plaga on the 23rd of October at Bideragere
I A	Nil	

Head Mistress

Class Teacher

Teacher

Teacher

Teacher

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GOVERNMENT OF H H THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

75/09

Office Memorandum

To,

The Inspector General of Education in Mysore
Bangalore

the 18 10 1909

The accompanying petition of 4.9.09 (with its enclosures, to be obligingly returned when done with) from Ramaseshaiah of Bangalore, appealing against the order of the D.I. of Edn degrading him for not having closed the Chamarajendra Pete Girls School, Bangalore, during plague is forwarded to the D.I. of Education for ~~submission of a full report~~ report on the points mentioned in the petition and the entire records connected with the case.

By Order

for Secretary

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF EDUCATION IN MYSORE

No 5498 / 385 — Bangalore 3rd December 1909

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Edn-125-09

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From

J. Weir, Esq., M A,

~~H. J. BHABHA, Esq., M A~~

Inspector General of Education in Mysore

To

K S Chandrasekhara Iyer, Esq, H A, B L,

Secretary to the Government of H H the Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments, Bangalore

Sir

With reference to your office Memorandum No 3655/ Edn125-09 dated 18th October 1909 forwarding for report a petition from Ramasesha Sastry formerly Headmaster Government Girls' School Chamarajpet Bangalore, I have the honour to submit the following report -

1 The petitioner was Headmaster of the Government Girls' School Chamarajapete Bangalore He closed his school for the Dasara holidays on the afternoon of October 12, 1907 On October 17th a pupil of the school, the daughter of Mr I Venkatesa Iyengar Honorary Secretary of the School Committee died of plague It was then ascertained that dead rats had been found in the school some time before and it was alleged that at the death in question was due to infection caught in the school, and that the headmaster was guilty of culpable negligence in failing to have the school disinfected A departmental inquiry was held. And the Headmaster was suspended for one month, and ordered to be transferred to a less important school or degraded as an assistant master and transferred

(Inspector General's Order No.3524-5/504 dated 2-11-1907)

2 In connection with the facts of the case the evidence is very conflicting It is not denied that dead rats were found in the building- one or each of two successive days but the exact date is not fixed with certainty The Headmaster says explicitly that the first rat was found on September 27 The Lady Superintendent in her report finds that it was four or five days before the closing of the school on October 12 There is a reasonable probability that the Headmaster's story is correct in which case it is scarcely likely that the infection was caught in the school

It is stated that both the rats were mangled and this is not disputed I understand that rats that have died of plague are not usually found in this condition If so, and in the absence of a medical examination at the time, it is going beyond the evidence to say that the school building was infected, and therefore it cannot be regarded as proved that the girl caught the infection at the school

As regards the procedure of the headmaster on the discovery of the dead rats, apart from any standing orders on the subject he seems to have acted according to the dictates of plain common sense On the first occasion he immediately sent an oral message to the hospital assistant, on the second occasion he sent a written message to the same officer and on both occasions he received an oral reply that he need not close and disinfect the school A more careful man might perhaps not have been satisfied with these replies and might perhaps have insisted on a more careful diagnosis If he committed an error of judgment at this stage, one month's suspension seems adequate punishment

It is impossible to say from the papers what the standing orders at the time were It is admitted however by the Committee that the Lady Superintendent had shown herself unsympathetic in the matter of closing the school only two months earlier, and there is a reasonable probability that the

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the headmaster's statement may be correct that he acted in accordance with oral instructions given by the Lady Superintendent

There is one more point in the headmaster's favour which should not be overlooked The School Committee met on the 12th November 1907 and recommended that the "transfer and degradation may be cancelled as the order of suspension for one month appears to meet adequately the circumstances of the case," The honorary Secretary was the only member who dissented, and the Inspector General accepted his opinion in preference to that of the other members of Committee, and refused to modify the order

3 I have the honour to recommend that the order of degradation should be set aside and the master restored to his former status As a matter of fact I had already sanctioned his appointment as headmaster of the Basavangudi Boys' School on the recommendation of the Circle Inspector when this appeal was brought to my notice, but I have kept back the papers pending the decision of Government on this appeal

4 All the papers* relating to the subject are herewith submitted and the enclosures received with the Memorandum are also returned

(To be obligingly returned*)

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General

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Signed by Sr KM

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No 6584

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To The Dy Dl of Govt
in Impose

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 5498/365 dt the 3rd December 1909 Reporting on the appeal petition of Ramaseshu Sastri formerly Head Master of the Govt Girls' School, Bhavanipet, praying for the Cancellatio

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of the order of ~~Dismissal~~ Suspension passed against him and degradation for having failed to take the necessary steps when dead rats were found in the school and recommending that the order of degradation may be set aside, I am directed to enquire whether under the circumstances stated in your letter it is not desirable to cancel the order of Suspension also and to treat the period as leave

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF EDUCATION IN MYSORE

No 8122 / 605 Bangalore 23 February 1910

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From

J Weir Esq., M A,
~~H. J BHABHA Esq., M.A~~

Inspector General of Education in Mysore

To

C S Balasundaram Iyer Esq , B A ,
Offg Secretary to the Government of H H the Maharaja
of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments, Bangalore

SIR

With reference to your letter No 6584 / Ed 125-09 dated the 1st February 1910, I have the honor to inform you that I did not recommend that the order of suspension should be cancelled, because I was not satisfied that the Headmaster had carried out the standing orders of the department in his method of dealing with the dead rats found in his premises It is extremely probable, although not absolutely proved, that he acted in accordance with oral instructions given by the Lady Superintendent which were not in accordance with the standing orders of the department If Government are pleased to give him the benefit of the doubt and cancel the order of suspension and treat the period as leave, I have no objection

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J Weir

Inspector General

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT
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Date of issue 21 3 10

Signed by [illegible]

READ— Petition by the 4th Sept 1909 from Ramaseshu Sastri, late Head Master of the Govt Girls' at Chama Rajpet, Bangalore, appealing agn

ORDER THEREON— N. the order of the Inspr Genl of Schs Suspending and degrading him for gross negligence in failing to take immediate measures for closing the School etc when

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dead Rats were found therein.

2.33 Correspondence ending with letter No 5498/385 of the 3rd December 1909 from the D.I.G. of Schs in Mysore submitting a report on the petition of Ramasesha Sastri

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Order thereon

No 82981 / Edn 125-09 — 21.3.10

The facts of the case are briefly ~~as shown below~~ — as follows —

Ramasesha Sastri was Head Master of the Govt Girls' School at Thamarajpet Prior to the closing of the School for Dasara Holidays (~~on the 12th October 1907~~) 2 dead Rats ~~are~~ ~~on each occasion~~ were found in the School, but the exact dates ~~of~~ ~~which the Rats were found~~ have not been fixed with certainty. On the first occasion Ramasesha Sastri sent an oral and on the

on the 12th October 1907

on two different occasions,

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

(Continuation Sheet d if form)

Ramaseshaseetha ~~was~~ who was Head Master of the Govt Girls' School at Chamarajapet in Bangalore, was suspended by order of the DC for a month and then transferred as Asst Master to another school The charge against him was that he behaved in a culpable manner in having failed to get his school premises disinfected, when he found dead rats there, and that as a result of his negligence one of the pupils of the school caught infection and died of plague in Oct 1907. He has now appealed to Govt against the order of suspension and degradation from office

2 From a report of the present DC of Sept and from the records, it appears that the explan

Second occasion a written message to the Hospital Asstt but on both occasions he received an oral ~~reply~~ answer that the School need not be closed or disinfected

2 On the 17th October 1907 a pupil of the School, a daughter of Mr N Venkatesa Iyengar, Hons Secretary to the School Committee died of plague and it was alleged that the death was due to infection caught in the School and that the Head master was guilty of culpable negligence in failing to have the School disinfected. A departmental enquiry was ~~held~~ made and the Head master was suspended for 1 month and afterwards

degraded as Asstt master and transferred to the Govt Girls' School, Bangalore, under the orders of the then Dispr Genl of Govt Mr Bhabha. Mr Ramasesha Sastri has appealed to Govt in the matter

3 Mr Weir the present Dirl of Govt is of opinion that Ramasesha Sastri ~~seems~~ to have acted according to the plain dictates of common sense when dead rats were found in the School. Though a more careful man might not have been satisfied with the oral replies received from the Hospital Asstt and might perhaps have insisted on a more careful diagnosis. He adds that it is extremely

given by the Head master – that he sent the rats on both occasions in which they were found to the hospl Asstt, and acted in accordance with his instructions, and that he did not close the School as the Lady Supt had expressed herself ~~in expressed herself~~ as strongly opposed to ~~instructions against~~ such closing ~~on the occurrence of mere suspicion Cases but only~~ on similar occasions previous

On a full examination of the record of the case, Govt agreeing with the Dispr Genl of Edn, Consider that the explanation of the head master has been made out to be substantially correct, and that he acted according to the dictates of common

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probable that the Head Master acted in accordance with the ~~rule~~ oral instructions given by the Lady Supdt of the Govt Girls' Schools, Bangalore, though they were not in accordance with the Standing orders of the Deptt In these circumstances Govt consider that Ramaesha Sastri could not be held to have been ~~guilty of culpable negligence~~ guilty of any grave dereliction of duty ~~They therefore direct~~ that the Govt order suspending and degrading him be set aside and that ~~Ramaesha Sastri~~ he be restored to his original ~~status~~ position as Head Master.

sense and did not contravene any of the departmental rules or orders of the department on this occasion

3. Govt are therefore pleased to direct

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The period of suspension will be treated as leave of ~~the most favourable~~ such kind ~~to~~ as ~~which~~ the master might have been entitled to.

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For Secy

To the Govt of Govt

& Comptroller

14/8/10

for return of Enclosures receives & leave acc Sr. 0.8752

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